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AUDIO VIDEO TRACKING SHEET

OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING FORM

INVESTIGATIVE SUMMARY

INTERVIEW TRANSCRIPTS

Witness Christopher Bergo

Witness Benjamin Casebolt

Witness [REDACTED]

Involved Employee Zachary Anderson (01/14/2019 and 01/23/2019)

EXHIBITS

A One (1) Digital Versatile Disc containing Homicide Books, Volumes 1-3
Under file number 016-17669-1127-011

B Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office – Bureau of Fraud and
Corruption Prosecutions Justice System Integrity Division
Letter of Opinion dated April 2, 2018.

C One (1) Digital Versatile Disc containing the following:

9-1-1 Call from [REDACTED]
Dispatch 15 Radio Traffic
L-TAC Radio Traffic
C-TAC 1 Radio Traffic

Homicide Audio Interviews

Photos – Deputy Anderson
Photos – Locations #1-4
Photos – Suspect Lovell

MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS

Foot Pursuit Evaluation authored by Lieutenant Joseph Fender

Radio Transmission Log of L-TAC and C-TAC 1 frequencies

Four (4) Administrative Rights Force/Shooting Investigation Forms

Los Angeles County Superior Court certified copy of Information, Amended Complaint, and Complaint under case number MA069699

Los Angeles County Superior Court certified copy of docket under case number MA069699

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Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

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Report Date: 02/05/2019		Bureau/Station/Facility: North Patrol Division / Lancaster		Admin. Invest.? <input type="checkbox"/> Hit? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Incident Information					
URN: 016-17669-1127-011		Date: 10/05/2016		Time: 1228 Hours	
City or Station: Lancaster		Nature of Incident: Deputy Anderson shot Suspect Lovell after the suspect shot and fatally wounded Sergeant Owen.			
Location: West Avenue J6 Lancaster, CA 93536					
Location Type (check one or more): <input type="checkbox"/> Backyard <input type="checkbox"/> Beach <input type="checkbox"/> Business <input type="checkbox"/> Freeway <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parking Lot <input type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Rural <input type="checkbox"/> School <input type="checkbox"/> Street Other: Complex		Lighting (check only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Darkness <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daylight <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Street Lights Weather (circle only one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clear <input type="checkbox"/> Cloudy <input type="checkbox"/> Fog <input type="checkbox"/> Rain Distance: 40-50 yards		Incident Type (check one or more): <input type="checkbox"/> Accidental <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Armed Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fleeing Suspect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Foot Pursuit <input type="checkbox"/> Gun Take Away <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Moving Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> Sniper/Ambush <input type="checkbox"/> Startle <input type="checkbox"/> Struggle Involved <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic Stop <input type="checkbox"/> Unarmed Person <input type="checkbox"/> Unintentional <input type="checkbox"/> Vehicle Pursuit <input type="checkbox"/> Warrant Service <input type="checkbox"/> Warning Shot Other:	
Initiated by (check only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Arrest Warrant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Call <input type="checkbox"/> Observation <input type="checkbox"/> One Person Unit <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Search Warrant <input type="checkbox"/> Two Person Unit		Prior Activity (check only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Detective <input type="checkbox"/> Inmate Transport <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Routine Patrol			
Total # of Shots Fired by Deputy 18		Total # of Shots Fired by Suspect 5		Aero Unit? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Canine Unit? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Employee Witnesses					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (check only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day	ShiftType (check only one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty
	Bergo	Christopher	K.		
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (check only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day	ShiftType (check only one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty
	Casebolt	Benjamin	J.		
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	ShiftTime (check only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input type="checkbox"/> Day	ShiftType (check only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty
Non-Employee Witnesses					
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Last Name		First Name		M.I.	
Street Address		City	Zip Code	Work Ph	Home Ph
Supervisors					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	(check one or more):	
	Rhea	Jeffrey	S.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Witness to shooting <input type="checkbox"/> Present during shooting <input type="checkbox"/> Involved in shooting	
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.	(check one or more):	
				<input type="checkbox"/> On Duty <input type="checkbox"/> Witness to shooting <input type="checkbox"/> Present during shooting <input type="checkbox"/> Involved in shooting	
Watch Sergeant					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.		
	Wolanski	Daniel	J.		
Watch Commander					
Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.		
	Gunn	Anthony	L.		

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Rollout Information					
Arrival Date	10/05/2016	Arrival Time	1600 Hours	Date Submitted	02/05/2019
		Date of Recommendation			
Employee #		Last Name	Lopez	First Name	Mark
					M.I. A.
Employee #		Last Name	Barron	First Name	Eric
					M.I.
Employee #		Last Name	Diez	First Name	Justin
					M.I. R.
Shooting / Force Information					

Method

(AW)	Arwen	(OV)	Other Weapon: Vehicle
(BC)	Baton:(Control)	(OB)	Other Weapon: Blunt Object
(BI)	Baton:(Impact)	(OO)	Other Weapon: Other
(BF)	Bodily Fluids	(PK)	Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Kick)
(CN)	Canine	(PS)	Personal Weapon: Feet/Leg: (Sweep)
(CR)	Carotid Restraint	(PH)	Personal Weapon (Hand/Arm)
(CH)	Choke Hold	(PP)	Personal Weapon (Push)
(CT)	Control Holds:(Control Techniques)	(PO)	Personal Weapon (Other)
(TT)	Control Holds:(Team Takedown)	(RS)	Resistance
(TD)	Control Holds:(Takedown)	(CN)	Restraint Device (Capture Net)
(CE)	Chemical	(RH)	Restraint Device (Handcuffs)
(OC)	Chemical Agents (OC Spray)	(RB)	Restraint Device:Hobble (Legs Only)
(TG)	Chemical Agents (Tear Gas)	(TP)	Restraint Device:Hobble (TARP)
(EX)	Explosives	(RE)	Restraint Device: REACT Belt
(FH)	Firearm (Handgun)	(SP)	Sap
(FR)	Firearm (Rifle)	(SH)	Shield
(FS)	Firearm (Shotgun)	(SG)	37mm Stinger
(FO)	Firearm (Other)	(SB)	Sting Ball
(FB)	Flashbang	(ST)	Stun Bag
(FL)	Flashlight	(TR)	Taser
(OE)	Other Weapon: Edged	(UC)	Uncooperative

Type of Injury

(AB)	Abrasion
(BR)	Bruise
(BU)	Burn
(CP)	Complaint of Pain
(CO)	Concussion
(DH)	Death
(DI)	Dislocation
(DB)	Dog Bite
(FR)	Fractures
(GS)	Gunshot
(HB)	Human Bite
(LC)	Lacerations
(ND)	Nerve Damage
(OD)	Organ Damage
(PA)	Paralysis
(PW)	Puncture Wound
(SD)	Soft Tissue Damage
(ST)	Sprain/Twists
(UN)	Unconscious
(RM)	Refused Med Treatment
(NN)	NONE

Body Part Injured

(AD)	Abdomen
(AK)	Ankle
(AR)	Arm
(BK)	Back
(BT)	Buttocks
(CH)	Chest
(EL)	Elbow
(FA)	Face
(FE)	Feet
(FI)	Fingers
(GE)	Genitals
(GR)	Groin
(HD)	Hand
(HE)	Head
(HI)	Hip
(IN)	Internal
(KN)	Knees
(LE)	Leg
(NK)	Neck
(SH)	Shoulder
(WR)	Wrist

Brand

(AK)	AK-47	(JE)	Jennings	(SW)	Smith & Wesson
(BN)	Benelli	(LO)	Lorcin	(SR)	Sturm Ruger
(BR)	Beretta	(LU)	Luger	(SS)	SIG Sauer
(BW)	Browning	(MA)	Marlin	(ST)	Sterling
(CH)	Charter Arms	(MO)	Mossberg	(TA)	Taurus
(CO)	Colt	(NC)	NCI aka SKS	(WE)	Weatherby
(DA)	Davis Industries	(NA)	North American	(WN)	Winchester
(GL)	Glock	(NO)	Norinco	(US)	US Government
(HA)	Harrington & Richardson	(RA)	Raven	(YY)	Handmade (Inmate)
(HI)	Hi Standard	(RM)	Remington	(XX)	Homemade (Non-Inmate)
(HK)	H & K	(RG)	RG	(ZZ)	Other Brand
(IT)	Ithaca	(RI)	RGI		

Caliber

9)	9 mm	(24)	.243 caliber	(41)	.410 gauge
10)	10 mm	(25)	25 caliber	(44)	.44 caliber
12)	12 gauge	(30)	.308 caliber	(45)	.45 caliber
20)	20 gauge	(35)	.357 caliber	(50)	50 mm
21)	22-250	(36)	30-60 caliber	(SL)	Slug
22)	22 caliber	(38)	.38 caliber	(WW)	Other caliber
23)	223 caliber	(40)	.40 caliber		

FORCE APPLIED (one code per block)[illegible]

Officer Involved Shooting Involved Employee Information

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Involved Employee

E 1	Employee #	Last Name Owen (Deceased)	First Name Steven	M.I. C
Sex: M Race: W		Rank: SGT	Unit Assignment: Lancaster	
Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 113S				
ShiftTime (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day		ShiftType (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty		Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>
Substance Used:				
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/>		Hospital Name: Antelope Valley Hospital	Coroner Case? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Coroner Case # 2016-07233
Interviewed? <input type="checkbox"/>				
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:		Duty Time (hrs):	Clothing (circle only one):	
Age: 6' 1"		Height: 263	Weight: 263	
Range Qualification Date:		PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? <input type="checkbox"/>		Patrol Certification? <input type="checkbox"/>	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? <input type="checkbox"/>
Number of Prior Shootings:		Directed Force: <input type="checkbox"/>		
Weapons Fired Brand:		Caliber	# Shots	Weapons Fired Brand:
Caliber		# Shots		
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name	First Name	M.I.

E 2	Employee #	Last Name Anderson	First Name Zachary	M.I. V.
Sex: M Race: W		Rank: DSG	Unit Assignment: Lancaster	
Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.): 111B				
ShiftTime (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day		ShiftType (circle only one): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty		Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>
Substance Used:				
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/>		Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>	Coroner Case #
Interviewed? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting: 8		Duty Time (hrs):	Clothing (circle only one):	
Age: 6' 02"		Height: 260	Weight: 260	
Range Qualification Date:		PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? <input type="checkbox"/>		Patrol Certification? <input type="checkbox"/>	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? <input type="checkbox"/>
Number of Prior Shootings:		Directed Force: <input type="checkbox"/>		
Weapons Fired Brand: Smith & Wesson		Caliber 9MM	# Shots 18	Weapons Fired Brand:
Caliber		# Shots		
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name	First Name	M.I.

E	Employee #	Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Sex: Race:		Rank:	Unit Assignment:	
Work Assignment (Unit #, Module, etc.):				
ShiftTime (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> EM <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input type="checkbox"/> Day		ShiftType (circle only one): <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Overtime <input type="checkbox"/> Off Duty		Intoxication/Drug Usage? <input type="checkbox"/>
Substance Used:				
Hospital Admission? <input type="checkbox"/>		Hospital Name:	Coroner Case? <input type="checkbox"/>	Coroner Case #
Interviewed? <input type="checkbox"/>				
Hrs of sleep prior to shooting:		Duty Time (hrs):	Clothing (circle only one):	
Age: Height: Weight:				
Range Qualification Date:		PPC Qualification Date:	Laser Training Date:	
Certified with Weapon Used? <input type="checkbox"/>		Patrol Certification? <input type="checkbox"/>	Certification Unit:	Prior Shootings? <input type="checkbox"/>
Number of Prior Shootings:		Directed Force: <input type="checkbox"/>		
Weapons Fired Brand:		Caliber	# Shots	Weapons Fired Brand:
Caliber		# Shots		
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name	First Name	M.I.
Field Training Officer Emp #		Last Name	First Name	M.I.

Officer Involved Shooting Suspect Information

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Suspect Information

S 1	Last Name		Lovell		First Name		Trenton		M.I.		T.
	AKA Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
Sex: M		Race: B		Street Address: IN CUSTODY		City		State & Zip Code:			
Work Phone:		Home Phone:		Social Security #:		Driver's License #:					
Age: 29		D.O.B.: 08/03/1989		Height: 5'07"		Weight: 180		FBI #:		CII #:	
Booking #		4799188		Primary Charge:		187(a) PC		Secondary Charge:		664/187(a) PC	
Coroner Case?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #		Intoxication/Drug Usage?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Substance Used: Cannabinoids/Benzodiazepines	
Armed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Mental Illness?		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Criminal History?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Vehicle Make		Model:		Year:		Parole: Yes	
Probation:				Prior Felony Conviction:		Yes					
S	Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
	AKA Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
Sex:		Race:		Street Address:		City		State & Zip Code:			
Work Phone:		Home Phone:		Social Security #:		Driver's License #:					
Age:		D.O.B.:		Height:		Weight:		FBI #:		CII #:	
Booking #				Primary Charge:				Secondary Charge:			
Coroner Case?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #		Intoxication/Drug Usage?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Substance Used:	
Armed?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Mental Illness?		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Criminal History?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Vehicle Make		Model:		Year:		Parole:	
Probation:				Prior Felony Conviction:							
S	Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
	AKA Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
Sex:		Race:		Street Address:		City		State & Zip Code:			
Work Phone:		Home Phone:		Social Security #:		Driver's License #:					
Age:		D.O.B.:		Height:		Weight:		FBI #:		CII #:	
Booking #				Primary Charge:				Secondary Charge:			
Coroner Case?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #		Intoxication/Drug Usage?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Substance Used:	
Armed?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Mental Illness?		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Criminal History?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Vehicle Make		Model:		Year:		Parole:	
Probation:				Prior Felony Conviction:							
S	Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
	AKA Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
Sex:		Race:		Street Address:		City		State & Zip Code:			
Work Phone:		Home Phone:		Social Security #:		Driver's License #:					
Age:		D.O.B.:		Height:		Weight:		FBI #:		CII #:	
Booking #				Primary Charge:				Secondary Charge:			
Coroner Case?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #		Intoxication/Drug Usage?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Substance Used:	
Armed?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Mental Illness?		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Criminal History?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Vehicle Make		Model:		Year:		Parole:	
Probation:				Prior Felony Conviction:							
S	Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
	AKA Last Name				First Name				M.I.		
Sex:		Race:		Street Address:		City		State & Zip Code:			
Work Phone:		Home Phone:		Social Security #:		Driver's License #:					
Age:		D.O.B.:		Height:		Weight:		FBI #:		CII #:	
Booking #				Primary Charge:				Secondary Charge:			
Coroner Case?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Coroner Case #		Intoxication/Drug Usage?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Substance Used:	
Armed?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Apprehended?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Mental Illness?		<input type="checkbox"/>	
Criminal History?		<input type="checkbox"/>		Vehicle Make		Model:		Year:		Parole:	
Probation:				Prior Felony Conviction:							



**LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
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April 2, 2018

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Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
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1 Cupania Circle
Monterey Park, California 91755



Re: Officer Involved Shooting of Trenton Lovell
J.S.I.D. File #17-0374
L.A.S.D. File #016-17669-1127-011

Dear Captain Bergner:

The Justice System Integrity Division of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the October 5, 2016, non-fatal shooting of Trenton Lovell by Deputy Zachary Anderson of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Our detailed analysis of this incident is contained in the attached memorandum.

Very truly yours,

JACKIE LACEY
District Attorney

SHANNON PRESBY
Head Deputy District Attorney
Justice System Integrity Division

c: Deputy Zachary Anderson, # [REDACTED]

MEMORANDUM

TO: CAPTAIN CHRISTOPHER BERGNER
Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department
Homicide Bureau
1 Cupania Circle
Monterey Park, California 91755

FROM: JUSTICE SYSTEM INTEGRITY DIVISION
Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

SUBJECT: Officer Involved Shooting of Trenton Lovell
J.S.I.D. File #17-0374
L.A.S.D. File #016-17669-1127-011

DATE: April 2, 2018

The Justice System Integrity Division (JSID) of the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office has completed its review of the October 5, 2016, non-fatal shooting of Trenton Lovell by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (LASD) Deputy Zachary Anderson. We have determined that Deputy Anderson acted in lawful self-defense when he fired his duty weapon, and he used lawful force in attempting to arrest Lovell, who had committed an atrocious felony.

LASD is a signatory to the protocol that mandates the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office participate in the investigation of all incidents within Los Angeles County where a peace officer, on or off duty, shoots and injures any person. LASD failed to notify the District Attorney's Command Center of this shooting. As a result, the District Attorney Response Team did not respond to the location of the shooting, and did not receive a briefing, nor a walk-through of the scene.

The following analysis is based on reports, recorded interviews, emergency calls, radio transmissions, and photographs submitted to this office by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Homicide Bureau. No compelled statements were considered in this analysis.

FACTUAL ANALYSIS

On October 5, 2016, Trenton Lovell was living with his [REDACTED] at [REDACTED]. At approximately 12:00 p.m., Lovell broke and shattered the rear sliding glass door of a two-story, single-family residence located at [REDACTED] West Avenue J-7.¹ Lovell entered the residence, armed with a five-shot revolver. [REDACTED] who was present with her infant in an upstairs bedroom, and [REDACTED] who was in another upstairs bedroom, discovered the burglary soon thereafter.

¹ The backyard of the residence [REDACTED] the apartment complex where Lovell lived, [REDACTED] by a [REDACTED] wall.

when they observed the shattered glass. [REDACTED] called the police to report the burglary, and [REDACTED] checked downstairs and determined that the intruder had already left.

Sergeant Steven Owen was the primary unit responding to the burglary call. He was in uniform and driving a marked black and white police vehicle. At 12:27 p.m., Owen broadcasted over the radio that he had the suspect at gunpoint. Then, Lovell fired a single round from his .38 special revolver² at Owen, striking him in the head. Lovell approached Owen, who was laying on his back, and fired four more rounds at Owen, killing him.

Statement of Trenton Lovell

Lovell stated that Owen chased him and told him to "freeze" as Lovell approached the front door of his residence. Lovell stated he fired one round at Owen, striking him in the face. Lovell then "walked up and [he] finished the job." Lovell said that he "emptied the whole five shots" from his revolver.³

Statement of Deputy Zachary Anderson

On the evening of the shooting, LASD investigators interviewed Anderson. Anderson stated that he was a secondary unit responding "Code 3" to an "emergent call for a 459 now" at [REDACTED] West Avenue J-7. Anderson was in full uniform, driving his marked patrol car northbound on 32nd Street West when he saw another patrol car, driven by Owen, travelling southbound on 32nd Street West with its lights on. Anderson observed Owen turn westbound on West Avenue J-6, and then heard Owen broadcast over the radio that the suspect was running westbound.

Anderson turned west on West Avenue J-6 in the same direction he saw Owen's patrol car travel. Anderson next heard Owen's radio broadcast that the suspect jumped the fence into the apartment complex. Just prior to turning into the apartment complex parking lot, Anderson heard Owen broadcast over the radio, "Detaining at gunpoint." As Anderson drove southbound into the parking lot, he heard three to four gunshots. Initially, Anderson believed that Owen had shot the suspect.

Anderson drove eastbound and turned the corner southbound inside the complex. He saw Owen laying on his back to the rear of the driver's side of his patrol car, which was pointed in a southwest direction. He saw Lovell walking over Owen's body, and entering the driver's seat of Owen's patrol car. Anderson realized that Lovell had shot and killed Owen. Anderson put his car into park and exited. He ordered Lovell to get on the ground. Lovell entered and exited Owen's car and pointed his revolver at Anderson. Anderson believed Lovell was going to shoot and kill him, and he immediately fired several rounds at Lovell as Lovell again entered the driver's seat of Owen's car.

Anderson fired additional rounds at Lovell, as Lovell drove Owen's car in reverse such that it came to rest with the front of the car pointed in Anderson's direction to the north. Anderson could not see Lovell, who had crouched down in the driver's seat. When Anderson stopped

² The revolver was identified as stolen from a residential burglary in Thousand Oaks that occurred in March 2016.

³ Lovell's statement was recorded and made to LASD investigators following his arrest.

shooting, he saw Lovell sit up quickly and believed that Lovell was going to shoot him, so Anderson fired more rounds at Lovell.

Lovell then drove Owen's patrol car directly at Anderson, who was standing next to the driver side of his patrol car. Lovell accelerated and slightly turned into Anderson's patrol car, crashing into the front right side of Anderson's patrol car. After the crash, Anderson realized his magazine was empty and reloaded as he moved south for better cover. Simultaneously, Lovell exited Owen's patrol car and fled westbound through the parking lot and northbound out of the exit to the apartment complex. Anderson did not fire additional rounds at Lovell as he ran away. Anderson broadcasted Lovell's direction of travel over the radio, including his observations of Lovell jumping the fences of houses north of the apartment complex. Anderson waited with Owen for help to arrive. When additional deputies arrived, Anderson and other deputies moved Owen to the back of a LASD sport utility vehicle and rushed him to the hospital, where Owen succumbed to his injuries.

Other evidence

After Lovell fled from the apartment complex property, he jumped several walls and entered a neighboring house on Mariposa Drive via a glass sliding-door in the back of the residence. He took two teenagers, a [REDACTED] year-old and a 19 year-old, hostage at knifepoint for approximately one hour. During this time, the teenagers were able to send text messages, which alerted LASD personnel to Lovell's location. LASD personnel set up a containment around the home and took Lovell into custody as he exited the rear of the house and walked into the yard. Lovell complied with commands and was handcuffed without further incident.

After his arrest, Lovell was medically treated for a single through and through gunshot wound to his shoulder, and released for booking the same day. Anderson fired a total of 18 rounds at Lovell, but struck him only one time. Eighteen cartridge casings from Anderson's semiautomatic service weapon were recovered at the scene. Anderson's rounds struck Owen's patrol car several times on the right and front sides, including the windshield, and shattering several windows.



Owen's patrol car depicting several bullet holes, and front end damage resulting from the crash into Anderson's patrol car.

Lovell left his revolver in Owen's patrol car. The handgun was a .38 caliber, five-shot revolver with five fired cartridge cases located in its five chambers.



Lovell's revolver inside Owen's patrol car on the driver's seat.

Investigators conducted a burglary investigation at [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] residence. They observed broken glass on the floor of the dining area where Lovell made entry, and saw a small drop of blood on the wall of the dining room. The DNA profile obtained from the bloodstain matched the profile from Lovell.

Lovell is currently charged in case number MA069699 with several felony counts including the murder of Sergeant Steve Owen, the attempted murder of Deputy Zachary Anderson, the residential burglary of [REDACTED] home, and the false imprisonment and residential robbery of the teenagers he took hostage before he was arrested. The matter is presently set for preliminary hearing on April 16, 2018.

LEGAL ANALYSIS

California law permits the use of deadly force in self-defense or in the defense of another if the person claiming the right of self-defense actually and reasonably believed that he was in imminent danger of great bodily injury or death. People v. Randle (2005) 35 Cal.4th 987, 994; People v. Mercer (1962) 210 Cal.App.2d 153, 161.

In protecting himself or another, a person may use that amount of force which he believes reasonably necessary and which would appear to a reasonable person, in the same or similar circumstances, to be necessary to prevent imminent injury. CALCRIM No. 505.

In California, the evaluation of the reasonableness of a police officer's use of deadly force employs a reasonable person acting as a police officer standard. People v. Mehserle (2012) 206 Cal.App.4th 1125, 1146, holding that California law "follows the objective 'reasonable person' standard—the trier of fact is required to evaluate the conduct of a reasonable person in the

defendant's position. [Citations omitted] [the jury should consider all relevant circumstances surrounding the defendant's conduct]. This enables the jury to evaluate the conduct of a reasonable person functioning as a police officer in a stressful situation—but this is not the same as following a special 'reasonable police officer' standard."

In evaluating whether a police officer's use of deadly force was reasonable in a specific situation, it is helpful to draw guidance from the objective standard of reasonableness adopted in civil actions alleging Fourth Amendment violations. "The 'reasonableness' of a particular use of force must be judged from the perspective of a reasonable officer on the scene, rather than with the 20/20 vision of hindsight... The calculus of reasonableness must embody allowance for the fact that police officers are often forced to make split-second judgments—in circumstances that are tense, uncertain, and rapidly evolving—about the amount of force that is necessary in a particular situation." Graham v. Connor (1989) 490 U.S. 386, 396-397.

Furthermore, California law permits the use of deadly force by police officers when necessary to effect the arrest of a person who has committed a forcible and atrocious felony. Murder is a forcible and atrocious crime. Penal Code section 197.4; People v. Ceballos (1974) 12 Cal.3d 470.

CONCLUSION

On October 5, 2016, Lovell committed a burglary of an occupied residence. During the commission of the residential burglary, Lovell was personally armed with a loaded revolver. Soon thereafter, the residents discovered the shattered glass of the rear door downstairs and called the police. Sergeant Owen was the first to respond and attempted to detain Lovell. Owen momentarily held Lovell at gunpoint. Lovell fired one shot at Owen, striking him in the head. Lovell then walked to Owen, stood over him and shot him four more times. Lovell murdered Owen, who was engaged in the performance of his lawful duty, and thus committed an atrocious felony.

While responding to assist Owen, Anderson heard gunshots. Upon arriving at the scene, Anderson saw Lovell standing over Owen's body and accurately believed that Lovell shot and killed Owen. Anderson ordered Lovell to the ground, but Lovell did not comply. He instead pointed his revolver at Anderson. Anderson fired 18 rounds at Lovell, as Lovell got into Owen's patrol car and drove it directly at Anderson. Anderson struck Lovell with one round in his shoulder before Lovell fled the scene on foot.

We find that Anderson's use of deadly force was both reasonable to stop the deadly threat posed by Lovell, and to effectuate his arrest for the murder of Sergeant Steven Owen. Accordingly, we find that Deputy Anderson acted both in lawful self-defense, and by lawful means in attempting to apprehend Trenton Lovell when he used deadly force. We are closing our file and will take no further action in this matter.